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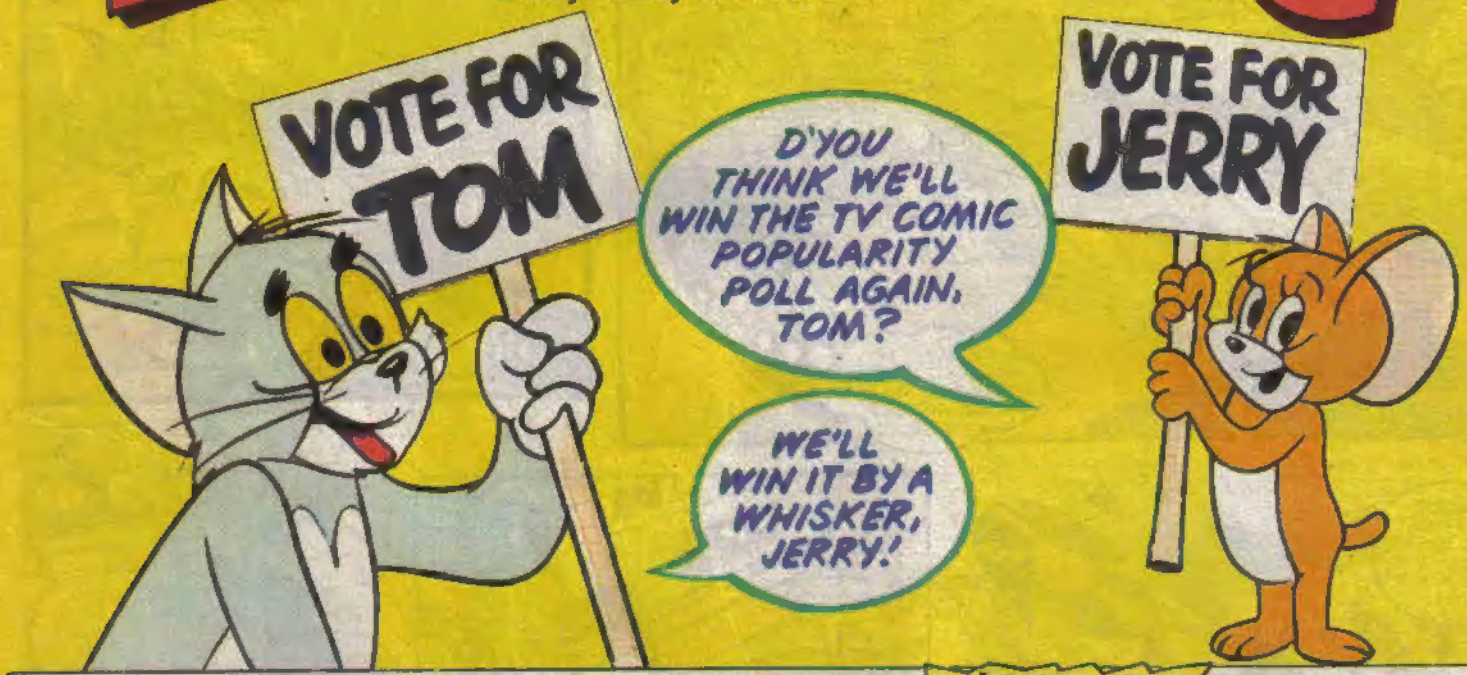

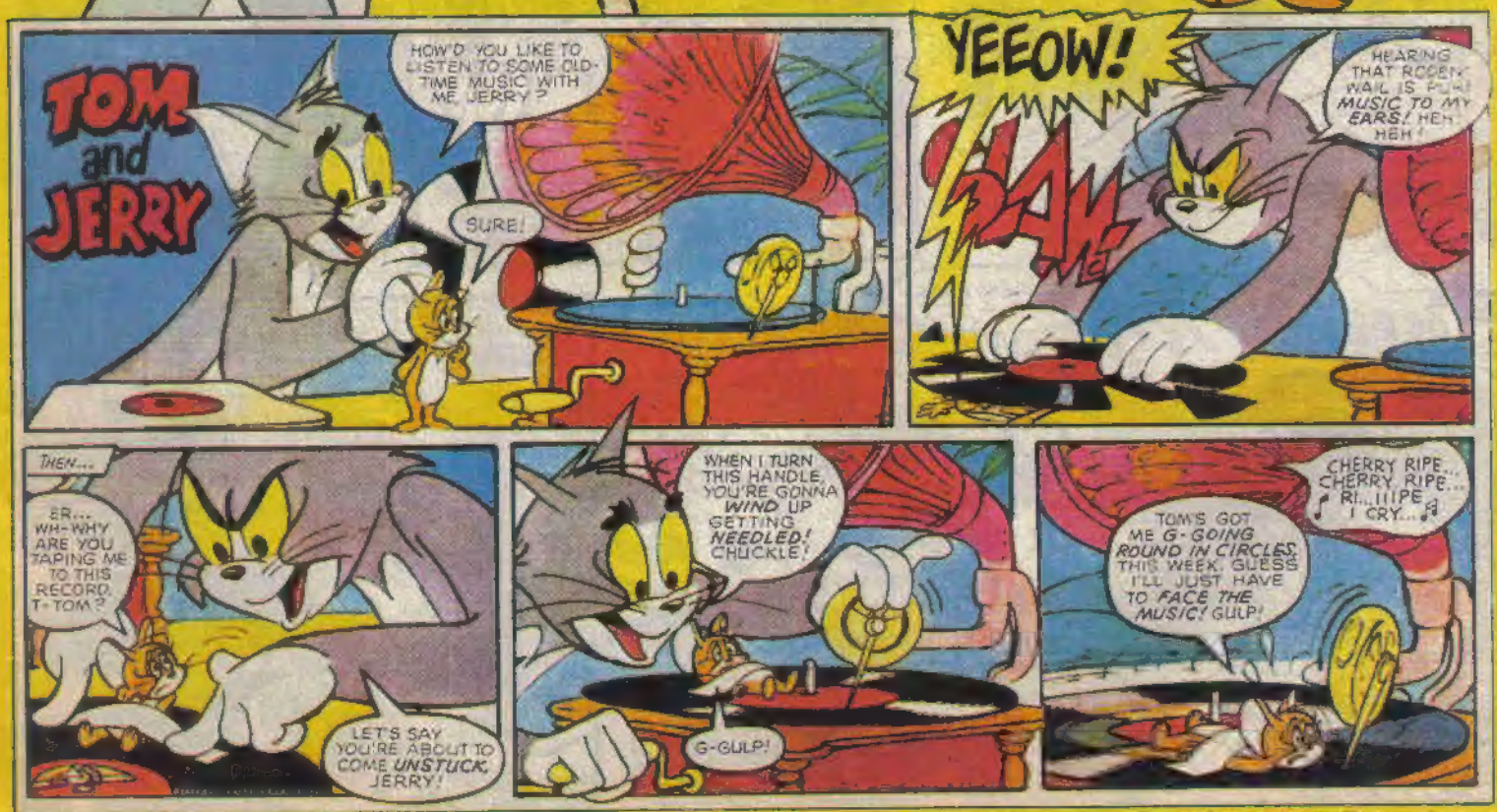
TOM and JERRY
HOW'D YOU LIKE TO LISTEN TO SOME OLD-TIME MUSIC WITH ME, JERRY?
SURE!
YEEOW!
SLAM
HEARING THAT ROGER WAIL IS PURE MUSIC TO MY EARS! HEH HEH!
THEN...
ER... WH-WHY ARE YOU TAPING ME TO THIS RECORD, T-TOM?
LET'S SAY YOU'RE ABOUT TO COME UNSTUCK, JERRY!
WHEN I TURN THIS HANDLE, YOU'RE GONNA WIND UP GETTING NEEDLED! CHUCKLE!
G-GULP!
TOM'S GOT ME G-GOING ROUND IN CIRCLES. THIS WEEK, GUESS I'LL JUST HAVE TO FACE THE MUSIC! GULP!
CHERRY RIPE... CHERRY RIPE... RI...IIIPE... I CRY...

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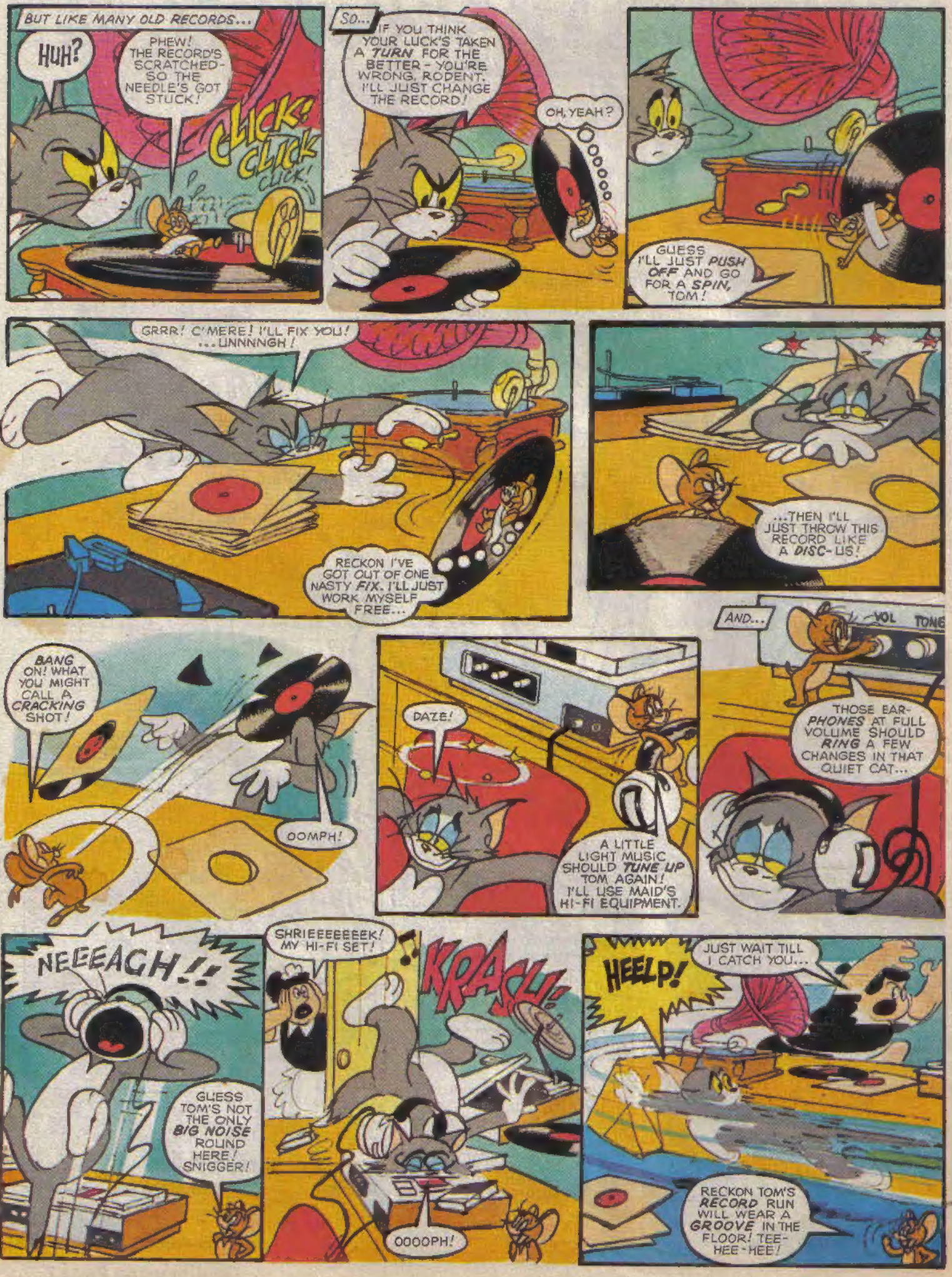
BUT LIKE MANY OLD RECORDS...
HUH?
PHEW! THE RECORD'S SCRATCHED- SO THE NEEDLE'S GOT STUCK!
CLICK! CLICK CLICK!
SO...
IF YOU THINK YOUR LUCK'S TAKEN A TURN FOR THE BETTER - YOU'RE WRONG, RODENT. I'LL JUST CHANGE THE RECORD!
OH, YEAH?
GUESS I'LL JUST PUSH OFF AND GO FOR A SPIN, TOM!
GRRR! C'MERE! I'LL FIX YOU! ...UNNNNGH!
RECKON I'VE GOT OUT OF ONE NASTY FIX. I'LL JUST WORK MYSELF FREE...
...THEN I'LL JUST THROW THIS RECORD LIKE A DISC-US!
BANG ON! WHAT YOU MIGHT CALL A CRACKING SHOT!
OOMPH!
DAZE!
A LITTLE LIGHT MUSIC SHOULD TUNE UP TOM AGAIN! I'LL USE MAID'S HI-FI EQUIPMENT.
AND...
VOL
TONE
THOSE EAR-PHONES AT FULL VOLUME SHOULD RING A FEW CHANGES IN THAT QUIET CAT...
NEEEAGH!!
GUESS TOM'S NOT THE ONLY BIG NOISE ROUND HERE! SNIGGER!
SHRIEEEEEEEK! MY HI-FI SET!
KRASH!
OOOOPH!
HEELP!
JUST WAIT TILL I CATCH YOU...
RECKON TOM'S RECORD RUN WILL WEAR A GROOVE IN THE FLOOR! TEE-HEE-HEE!

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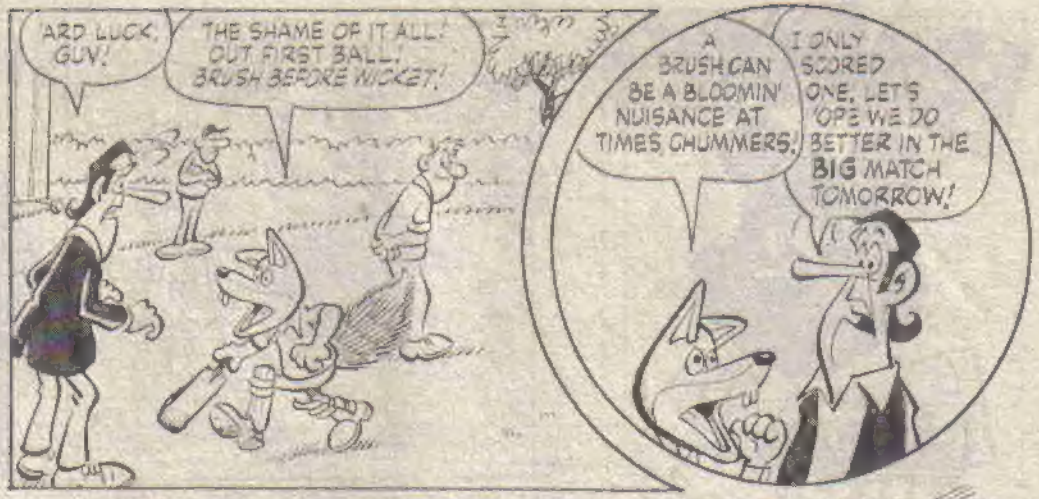
BASIL BRUSH


ARD LUCK, GUV!
THE SHAME OF IT ALL! OUT FIRST BALL! BRUSH BEFORE WICKET!
A BRUSH CAN BE A BLOOMIN' NUISANCE AT TIMES, CHUMMERS!
I ONLY SCORED ONE. LET'S 'OPE WE DO BETTER IN THE BIG MATCH TOMORROW!

NEXT DAY...
I...ER... I'M AFRAID YOU AND CHUMMERS WILL BE BATTING LAST, BASIL!
WE UNDERSTAND!

SO...
GULP! I'M LAST IN AND WE STILL NEED FOUR RUNS TO WIN!

HEH-HEH! I'LL PULVERISE BRUSHY WITH A REALLY FAST ONE!

WHIZZ!

SWISH!

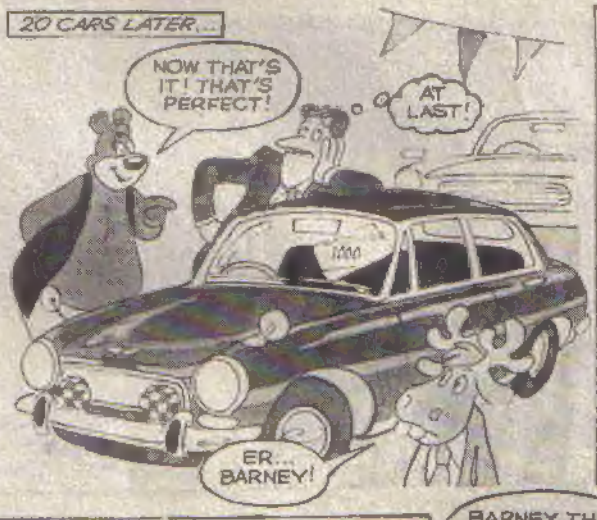
RUN, CHUMMERS!
WHERE DID IT GO?
HE HIT IT SO HARD, I DIDN'T EVEN SEE IT!

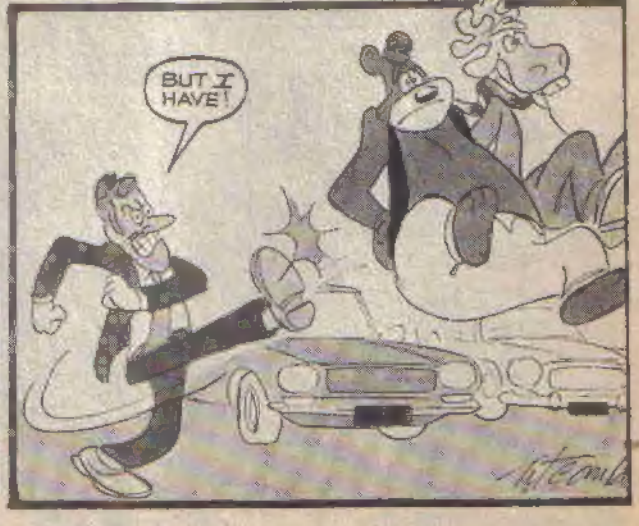
BUT, GUV...!
DON'T ARGUE! JUST KEEP RUNNING!

UNTIL...
FOUR RUNS! WE'VE WON!
YOU NEEDN'T HAVE BOTHERED! IT MUST HAVE GONE FOR FOUR!

SOON...
SO THAT'S WHERE THE BALL WAS?
A BRUSH CAN COME IN 'ANDY AT TIMES, GUV!

BARNEY BEAR





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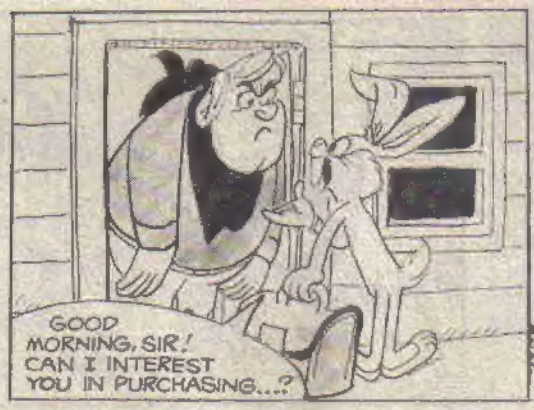

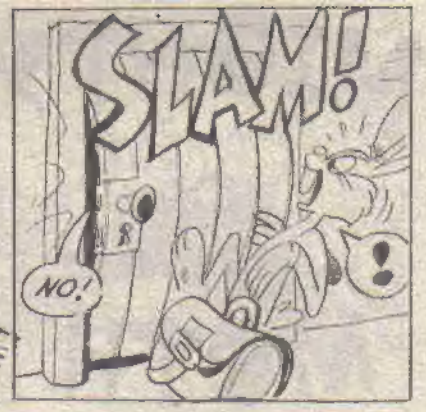

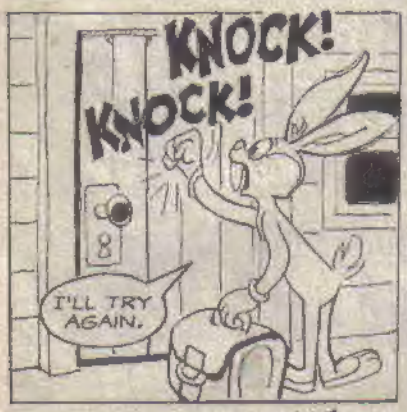

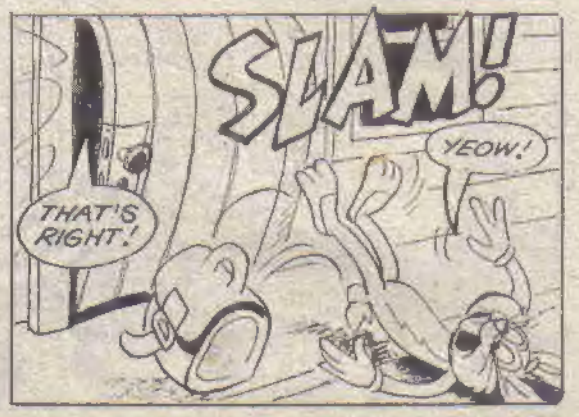

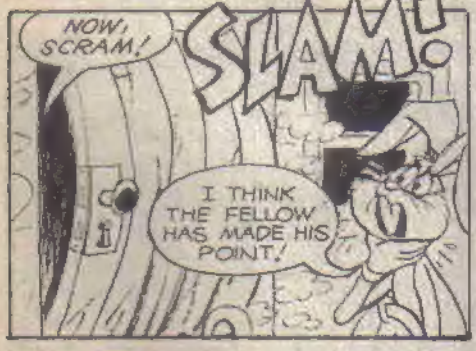

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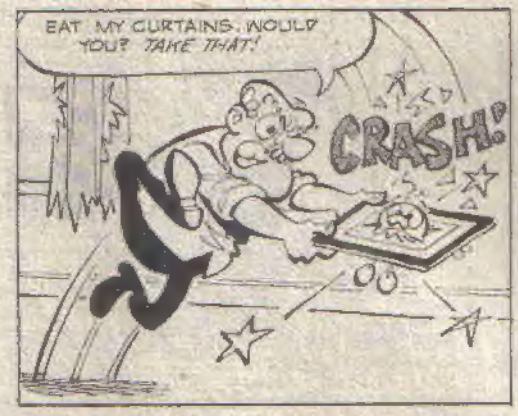
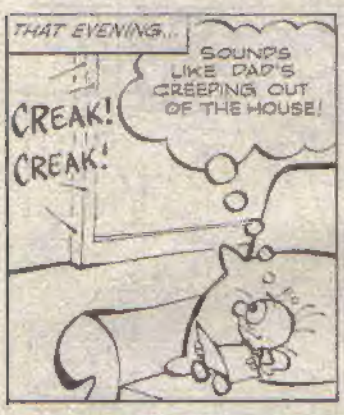
MIGHTY MOTH


EAT MY CURTAINS, WOULD YOU? TAKE THAT!
CRASH!

NOW MY PICTURE IS RUINED, AND I HAVEN'T ANY MONEY FOR A NEW PICTURE OR NEW CURTAINS!

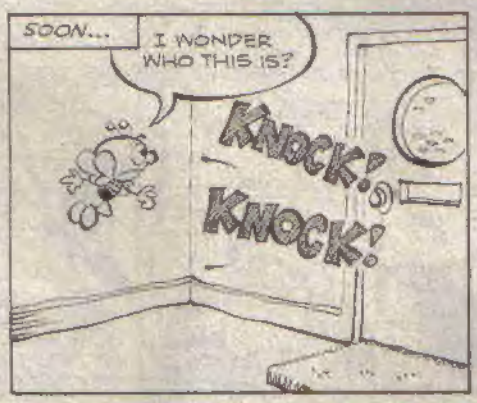

THAT EVENING...
SOUNDS LIKE DAD'S CREEPING OUT OF THE HOUSE!
CREAK! CREAK!

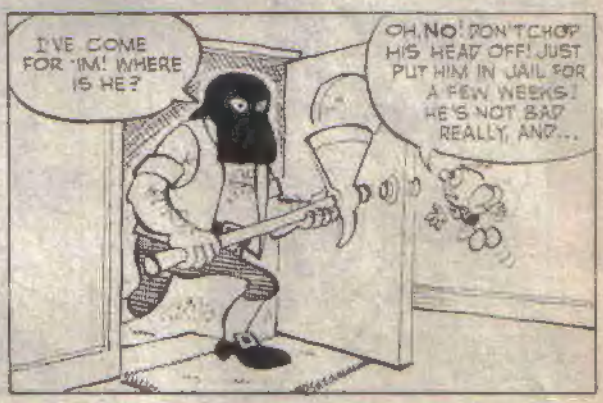
DAD! WHY...? WHERE...?
OH, MIND YOUR OWN BUSINESS!
TOOLS
SWAG

WHAT HAVE I DONE? DAD'S SO DESPERATE FOR MONEY HE'S TURNED TO A LIFE OF CRIME AND IT'S ALL MY FAULT!
SLAM!

I MUST HAVE HIM ARRESTED BEFORE HE ROBS A HOUSE! IT'LL SHORTEN HIS JAIL SENTENCE AND YET HE'LL HAVE TIME TO SEE THE ERROR OF HIS WAYS!

YES...THAT'S RIGHT, SERGEANT— A BURGLAR. HE WAS HEADING TOWARDS THE HIGH STREET!

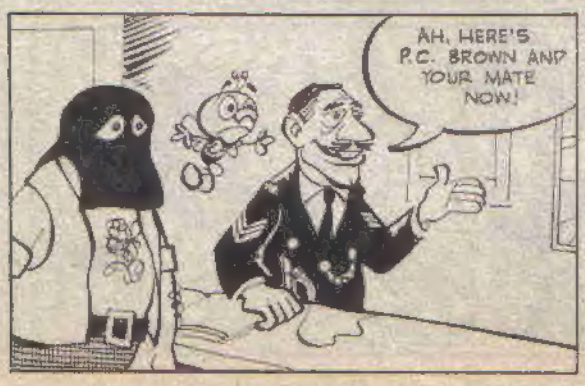

SOON...
I WONDER WHO THIS IS?
KNOCK! KNOCK!


I'VE COME FOR 'IM! WHERE IS HE?
OH, NO! DON'T CHOP HIS HEAD OFF! JUST PUT HIM IN JAIL FOR A FEW WEEKS! HE'S NOT BAD REALLY, AND...

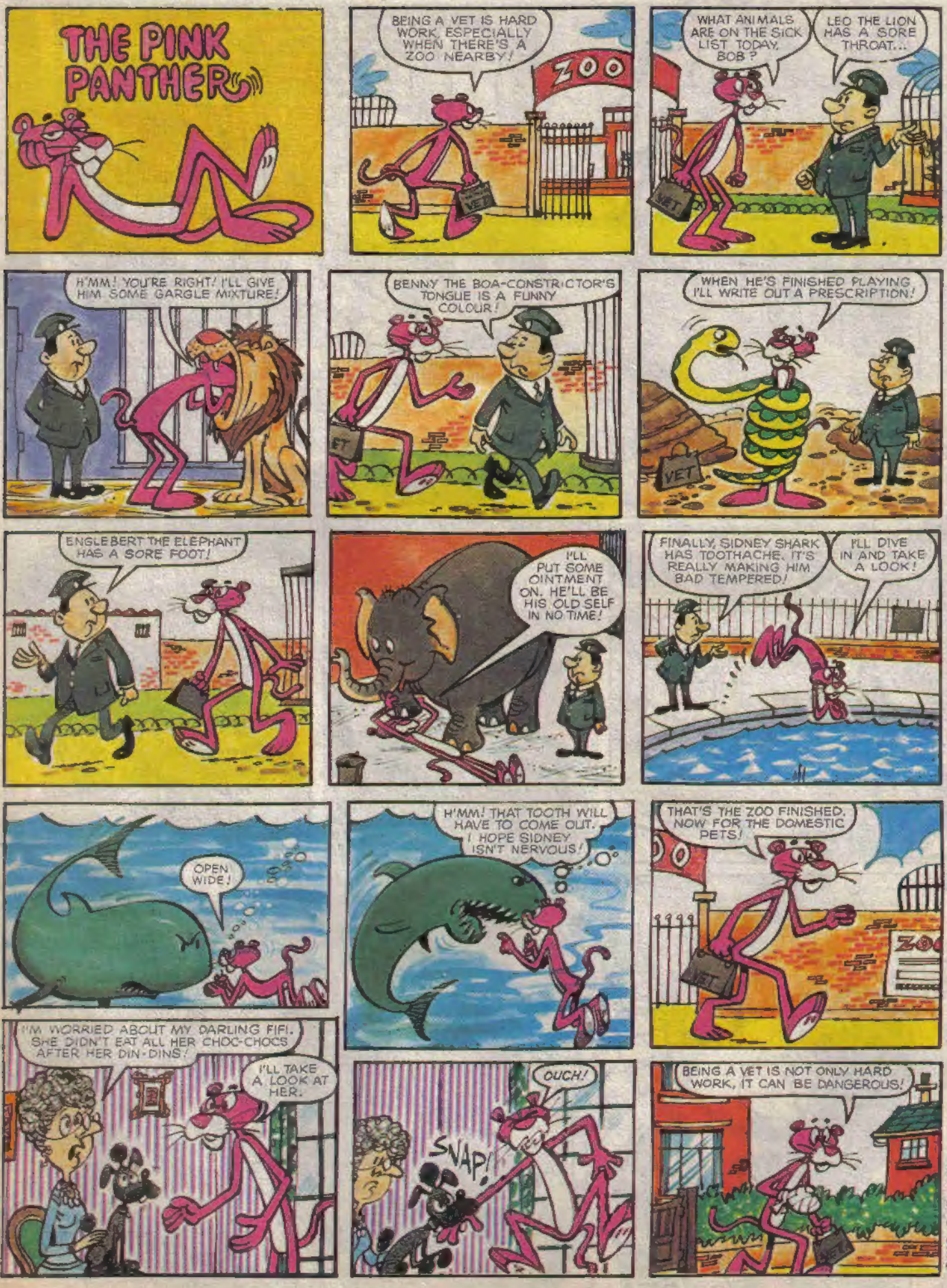
WHAT YOU ON ABOUT? I JUST CAME TO COLLECT HIM BECAUSE HE HASN'T TURNED UP AT THE FANCY DRESS BALL!
FANCY DRESS? SO THAT'S WHY HE WAS DRESSED AS A BURGLAR? HE MUST BE AT THE POLICE STATION!

AT THE POLICE STATION...
HE CAN ONLY BE RELEASED BY P.C. BROWN THE ARRESTING OFFICER. HE'S JUST GETTING CHANGED TO GO OFF DUTY!
WANTED
LOST

P.C. BROWN? THE CHAP YOU ARRESTED WAS TELLING THE TRUTH. BRING HIM UP FROM THE CELL WILL YOU?


AH, HERE'S P.C. BROWN AND YOUR MATE NOW!

I'M GOING TO THE FANCY DRESS BALL MYSELF, SO WE CAN ALL GO TOGETHER!
TOOL


THE PINK PANTHER
BEING A VET IS HARD WORK, ESPECIALLY WHEN THERE'S A ZOO NEARBY!
ZOO
VET
WHAT ANIMALS ARE ON THE SICK LIST TODAY, BOB?
LEO THE LION HAS A SORE THROAT...
H'MM! YOU'RE RIGHT! I'LL GIVE HIM SOME GARGLE MIXTURE!
BENNY THE BOA-CONSTRICTOR'S TONGUE IS A FUNNY COLOUR!
WHEN HE'S FINISHED PLAYING I'LL WRITE OUT A PRESCRIPTION!
ENGLEBERT THE ELEPHANT HAS A SORE FOOT!
I'LL PUT SOME OINTMENT ON. HE'LL BE HIS OLD SELF IN NO TIME!
FINALLY, SIDNEY SHARK HAS TOOTHACHE. IT'S REALLY MAKING HIM BAD TEMPERED!
I'LL DIVE IN AND TAKE A LOOK!
OPEN WIDE!
H'MM! THAT TOOTH WILL HAVE TO COME OUT. I HOPE SIDNEY ISN'T NERVOUS!
THAT'S THE ZOO FINISHED. NOW FOR THE DOMESTIC PETS!
I'M WORRIED ABOUT MY DARLING FIFI. SHE DIDN'T EAT ALL HER CHOC-CHOCS AFTER HER DIN-DINS!
I'LL TAKE A LOOK AT HER.
SNAP!
OUCH!
BEING A VET IS NOT ONLY HARD WORK, IT CAN BE DANGEROUS!
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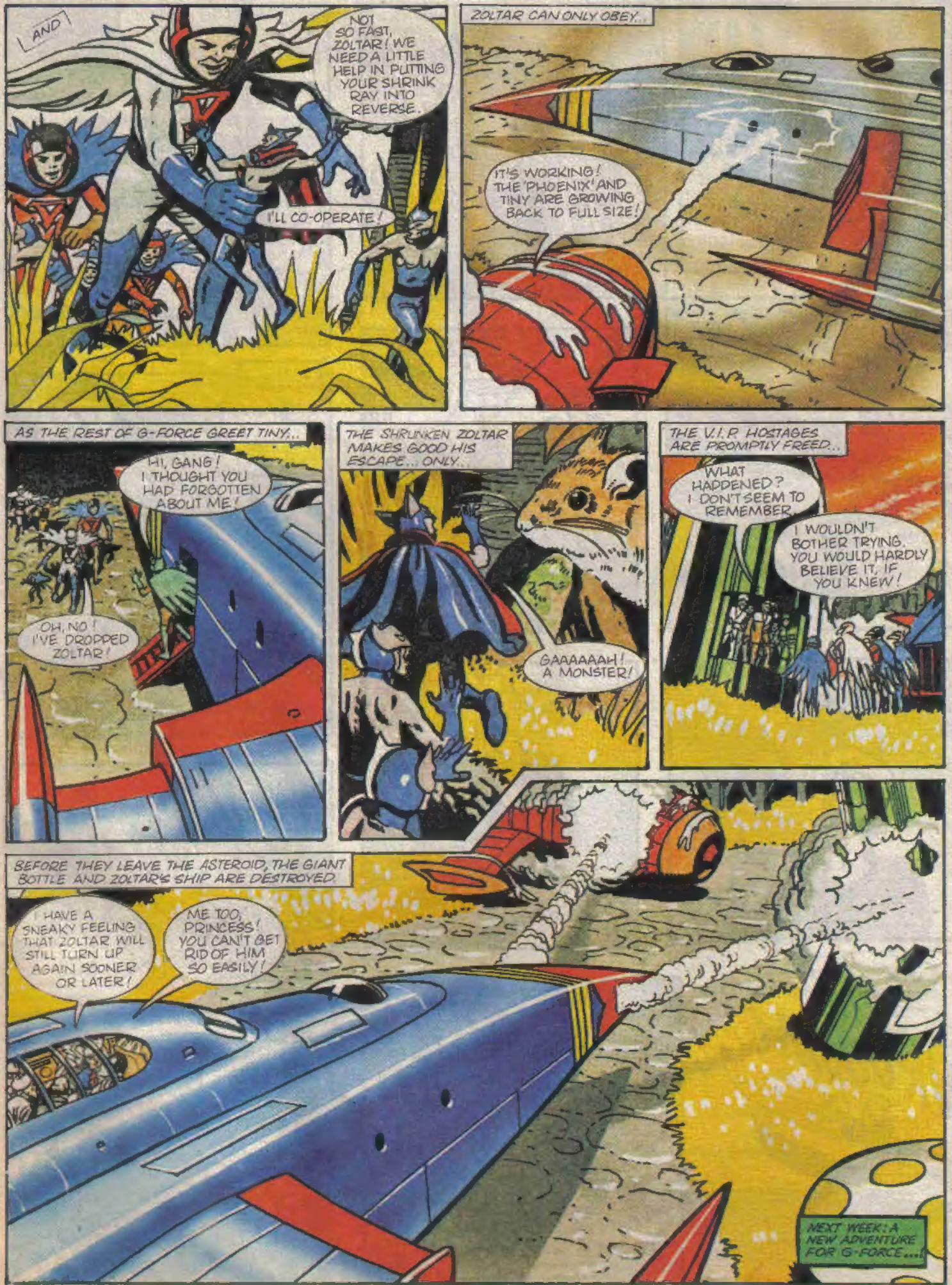
BATTLE OF THE PLANETS
EARTH'S ARCH-ENEMY ZOLTAR USES A GIANT BOTTLE TO KIDNAP HOSTAGES OF GALACTIC IMPORTANCE, KNOWING G-FORCE WILL SPEED TO THEIR RESCUE. WHEN THE 'PHOENIX' LANDS NEAR THE BOTTLE, ZOLTAR USES HIS SHRINK RAY...
AHA! THEY'VE FALLEN INTO MY TRAP! THE SHRINK-RAY WILL MAKE G-FORCE AND THEIR SPACESHIP MERE INSECTS!
BUT MARK, PRINCESS, JASON AND KEYOP ARE NOT ON BOARD...
WHAT HAS HAPPENED TO TINY?
BOOBLE-BLEEP!
DON'T PANIC! ZOLTAR HASN'T WON YET!
THIS TIME I SHALL DESTROY THEM FOREVER. YOU PUNY FOOLS WON'T DEFY ME AGAIN!
WHILE, BEHIND ZOLTAR AND HIS MEN...
QUICK, INSIDE!
SPEEDO! WIGGLE-BLEEP!
D'YOU THINK YOU CAN FATHOM HOW THAT SHRINK-RAY WORKS, JASON!
IT LOOKS PRETTY STRAIGHT FORWARD, MARK. I ONLY HOPE IT'S STILL SET TO SHRINK THINGS
SECONDS LATER...
WHAT THE...?
HUH?


AND
NOT SO FAST, ZOLTAR! WE NEED A LITTLE HELP IN PUTTING YOUR SHRINK RAY INTO REVERSE.
I'LL CO-OPERATE!
ZOLTAR CAN ONLY OBEY...
IT'S WORKING! THE 'PHOENIX' AND TINY ARE GROWING BACK TO FULL SIZE!
AS THE REST OF G-FORCE GREET TINY...
HI, GANG! I THOUGHT YOU HAD FORGOTTEN ABOUT ME!
OH, NO! I'VE DROPPED ZOLTAR!
THE SHRUNKEN ZOLTAR MAKES GOOD HIS ESCAPE... ONLY...
GAAAAAAH! A MONSTER!
THE V.I.P. HOSTAGES ARE PROMPTLY FREED...
WHAT HAPPENED? I DON'T SEEM TO REMEMBER
I WOULDN'T BOTHER TRYING. YOU WOULD HARDLY BELIEVE IT, IF YOU KNEW!
BEFORE THEY LEAVE THE ASTEROID, THE GIANT BOTTLE AND ZOLTAR'S SHIP ARE DESTROYED.
I HAVE A SNEAKY FEELING THAT ZOLTAR WILL STILL TURN UP AGAIN SOONER OR LATER!
ME TOO, PRINCESS! YOU CAN'T GET RID OF HIM SO EASILY!
NEXT WEEK: A NEW ADVENTURE FOR G-FORCE...!

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The BISTO KIDS
COME IN NUMBER NINE!
THAT WILL BE OUR BOAT!
BOATS FOR HIRE
BUT...
MY TIME'S UP, SO I'LL TAKE OVER YOUR BOAT!
BOATS FOR HIRE
GRR! WHENEVER HIS TIME'S UP, THAT BULLY TAKES OVER SOMEONE ELSE'S BOAT!
WE HAVE AN IDEA!
COULD YOU TUNE THIS ENGINE UP A BIT?
SOON...
BEST OF LUCK, KIDS!
BOATS FOR HIRE
COME IN NUMBER FIVE!
MY TIME'S UP! CHANGE BOATS, YOU TWO!
HEH-HEH! JUST WAIT TILL HE PUTS HIS FOOT ON THE ACCELERATOR!
EH?
VAROOM!
YAA! I CAN'T STOP!
VROOOM!
HEEELP!
BUMP!
I SEE HE CAME IN ALRIGHT THAT TIME!
WELL DONE, KIDS!
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BEEP! BEEP! The ROAD RUNNER!
..AND THIS ESPECIALLY APPLIES TO YOU, WILE E.
NOTICE
ANYONE FOUND TRESPASSING WILL BE PROSECUTED
WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU ARE DOING, WILE E.?
I'M CHASING BUTTERFLIES, OFFICER! ROAD RUNNER DEVELOPS BUTTERFLIES IN HIS STOMACH EVERY TIME HE SEES ME! SNIGGER!
I SHALL RELEASE THE ROAD RUNNER AS SOON AS I HAVE ..ER...EXTRACTED THE BUTTERFLIES!
A LIE! GOOD-BYE!
DUMB FLATFOOT! NOW FOR A NICE ROAD RUNNER PIE! YUK!
FLOUR
DON'T FORGET THE HOLES IN THE CRUST! I MUST BE ABLE TO BREATHE. I MUST!
NOT A WORD! WHISPER! MUTTER! THERE'S A WHOLE POUND OF BUTTER!
FLIP!
NOW, IF I DO LIKE SO! OH, MY! BEHOLD I MAKE A BUTTER-FLY!
YEEAGH!
SLIP!
AND NOW I MAKE A ER COYOTE FLY!
KERRACK!
FREE AGAIN! OH, YES, SIRREE! THERE ARE NO FLIES ON ME!

VOTE HERE!

It's time for you to vote again in the TV Comic Reader's Poll, so grab a pen! Listed below are the regular features in TV Comic. All you have to do is mark those you like most with a tick (√) and those you hate most with a cross (×). If you can't decide, or don't mind something, just leave the space blank.

When you have filled in your voting slip, cut it out and send it to:
TV COMIC READER'S POLL,
P.O. Box 91,
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The results of the poll will be published in a future TV Comic.

This isn't a competition so there are no prizes, except a happy Editor! Ta!

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BUZBY.....

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The Inspector
THAT WAS A GREAT PIECE OF DETECTIVE WORK I DID YESTERDAY A CRIMINAL GANG ARRESTED BY ME!
BIG CRIMINAL GANG BROKEN UP! READ ALL ABOUT IT!
PAPER PLEASE!
I'M SURE TO HAVE MY NAME IN THE PAPER— PERHAPS EVEN A PHOTOGRAPH!
BAH! THEY MENTION ALL THE GANG BUT DON'T MENTION ME!
I'M GOING TO SEE THE EDITOR ABOUT THIS
DAILY BLAH
EDITOR
LISTEN, YOU! I'M THE EDITOR...
...I DECIDE WHAT GOES IN MY PAPER!
YES! OF COURSE
EDITOR
YAAAAAAAAAAA!
TR-TIP!
DAILY BLA
HEY - THAT'S THE INSPECTOR THIS IS — MAKE A STORY!
WHUMP!
NEXT DAY
YOU'RE MENTIONED IN TODAY'S PAPER—PITY THEY'VE SPELT YOUR NAME WRONG!
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LETTERS and LAUGHS

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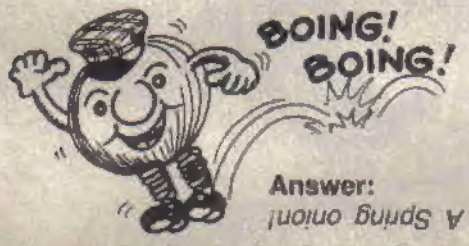
Dear Readers!
We are always glad to receive your letters and jokes. We also like to know who your favourite TV Comic characters are. So this week there is a special readers' poll on page 11 for you to fill in. Look out for the results in a later issue!

LETTERS

What is it? asks Rachel Knopper of Storridge near Malvern.



Answer: A Spring onion!

Dear Ed,
Here's a recipe you might like:

CAMEL A LA SUPREME
Ingredients

1 camel	6 medium sized fish
1 sheep	12 large eggs.
1 chicken	

Put the eggs into a saucepan of cold water. Bring to the boil and cook for 10 minutes. Remove from saucepan, cool and shell. Clean fish and stuff with the hard-boiled eggs. Roll fish into bundles and stuff into chicken. Place the chicken into the already prepared sheep and stuff the sheep into the camel. Roast the camel on a spit over a slow burning fire. Serve with freshly boiled rice.

Yours Alison Olver, Trethinnick.

We tried it in the office, Alison, and highly recommend it.

Dear Editor,
Here is a poem.

If you go to school dinners,
Better throw them aside.
A lot of kids didn't, a lot of kids died
The meat is made of iron,
The spuds are made of steel,
And if that doesn't get you
The Afters will!

Jacqueline Wardell, 10, Pickering.

Perhaps your school canteen should try Camel a la supreme!

★STAR LETTER

Dear TV Comic,
I have 2 verses for the Star Letter. I enjoy TV Comic a lot so I thought I would write in.

1. The more I study
The more I know.
The more I know
The more I forget.
The more I forget
The less I know . . .
. . . so why study?

2. I know you believe
you understand
what you think I said,
but I am not sure
you realise
that what you heard
is not
what I meant.

Matthew Ridgway, 10, Newton Abbot.

Matthew, if you study, you will learn the meaning of what you mean. But you have to watch out, because the centipede who started to think about where to put his feet got into problems!

LAUGHS

An Australian was showing a man from Texas round his farm one day. He pointed out his cows. "Why," said the Texan, "back home we have pigs as big as them." The Australian showed him his sheep. "Why," said the Texan, "back home we have cats bigger than that." And then a kangaroo came hopping by. "Say," called the Texan, "but you sure have mighty fine big grasshoppers out here!"

Jokes from Julie Hanson, Stanton, Notts.

Willy's Silly Garden
There once was a worm called Willy,
Who had a large garden quite silly.
The bluebells were black,
The tulips were brown,
And some bees buzzed round a blue lily.

A limerick from Emma Hawkins, 97, Highcliffe, Dorset.

What occurs once in a minute, twice in a moment, and never in a thousand years?
Answer: the letter M.

A riddle from Samuel R. Flew, Maidenhead.

DON'T MISS YOUR

Pink Panther

AND

BASIL BRUSH

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TV TERRORS
BOOTS AND SHOES REPAIRED WHILE YOU WAIT
GULP! HOPPIT'S HAVING HIS BOOTS MENDED! THEY SOON WEAR OUT ON US!
I'LL HAVE THESE READY FOR YOU IN AN HOUR, MR HOPPIT!
HELP! HAVING EXTRA BIG HOBNAILS PUT IN TOO!
ESPECIALLY FOR OUR BENEFIT!
YOU'RE WANTED ON THE PHONE, MISTER COBB!
I'LL BE RIGHT THERE, MARTHA!
QUICK, GANG - INTO THE SHOP! I'VE AN IDEA!
NOW'S OUR CHANCE TO PUT RUBBER SOLES ON HOPPIT'S BOOTS... THEY'RE MUCH SOFTER THAN LEATHER!
THAT'S GOOD THINKING, BUTTONS!
I THINK WE SHOULD HAVE LEATHER SOLES... THEY WEAR OUT QUICKER!
BASH!
BASH!
I DON'T AGREE, MONICA.. I THINK IT SHOULD BE RUBBER SOLES!
TEE! HEE! HEE!
BASH!
BASH!
EVERYONE TO THEIR OWN OPINON!
BASH!
BASH!
BASH!
BASH!
HURRY KIDS! THE COBBLER'S COMING BACK! WE'D BETTER CLEAR OFF!
YE-ERK! WH-WHAT'S BEEN GOING ON HERE?
B-B-BUT THIS IS RIDICULOUS!
SNIGGER
ER... JUST THINK OF IT! A LIFETIME'S WEAR! THEY'LL NEVER WEAR OUT!
TIRED WHILE
WHAT AM I DOING? I CAN'T GO ABOUT LIKE THIS! I'M GOING BACK TO THAT COBBLER!
WOBBLE!
WOBBLE!
HO! HO! HOPPIT CAN HARDLY WALK, LET ALONE WHUMP US!
AAAGH! I'VE LOST MY BALANCE! I'M FALLING!
WELL, WELL! THIS IS A NICE SOFT LANDING!
YAAAGH! HE'S LANDED ON US!
YUK!
OOOF!
I MIGHT JUST KEEP MY BOOTS THIS WAY... FALLING ON THESE KIDS IS JUST AS EFFECTIVE AS WUMPING THEM! I'LL LET YOU KNOW NEXT WEEK!
BAH! YOU CAN'T WIN!
WOBBLE!
WOBBLE!
SHUFFLE!
SHUFFLE!

BUZBY
BUZBY
NOTHING MUCH GOING ON TODAY! YAWN!
YOU'RE RIGHT! (SIGH!)
HEY! THERE'S TOMMY AND TREVOR THE TORTOISES! THEY'VE GIVEN ME AN IDEA FOR A BIT OF EXCITEMENT!
WE'LL RACE THEM FROM HERE TO MY TELEPHONE POLE! I TAKE TOMMY TO WIN!
I SAY TREVOR!
THEY'RE OFF!
BUZBY
COME ON, TREVOR!
YOU CAN DO IT, TOMMY!
AN HOUR LATER...
TOMMY IS IN THE LEAD!
THEY'VE ONLY COVERED A COUPLE OF YARDS!
I'M BORED WITH THIS! I'M GOING HOME!
HUH! JUST BECAUSE MY TORTOISE IS IN THE LEAD, YOU'VE LOST INTEREST!
MEVIN
THAT NIGHT...
I WONDER WHO THIS CAN BE?
RING! RING!
HELLO, REGGIE! THIS IS BUZBY! THE RACE IS BUILDING UP TO A FANTASTIC CLIMAX!
TEN INCHES TO GO. TREVOR HAS TAKEN THE LEAD...
...BUT TOMMY IS LOOKING THE FRESHER AND IS COMING UP ON THE INSIDE!
SNORE!

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POPEYE
SPINACH
C'MON, OLIVE! I'LL TAKE YA FOR A MEAL IN THE NEW RESTAURANT!
Restaurant
WE'RE FULL-UP UPSTAIRS, SIR, BUT THERE'S A NICE TABLE HERE! I'LL SEND THE WAITER TO TAKE YOUR ORDER!
OH, NO! LOOK WHO THE WAITER IS!
BRUTUS!
SOON...
OOPS! SORRY, SIR! I SEEM TO HAVE SPILT SOUP ON YOU! HAR-HAR!
SPLOSH!
OKAY - YOU'VE ASKED FOR IT! JUST FETCH ME SOME SPINACH!
GULP! SPINACH!
SO...
OH, DEAR! I KNOW WHAT THIS MEANS!
YOU'RE RIGHT!
BIFF!
UPSTAIRS...
AH! HERE'S THE WAITER AT LAST!
GROAN!
WELL DON'T JUST LIE THERE! TAKE OUR ORDER!
MEANWHILE...
I CAN'T THINK WHERE THE WAITER HAS GOT TO! I'LL TAKE YOUR ORDER!
GOOD! THAT'S GIVEN ME AN APPETITE!

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